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Memorandum To: All AES Participants

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SUBJECT: **AES REQUIRES NEW DATA ELEMENT**
New FATAL ERRORS for Bureau of Export Administration
Effective January 2001

The AES is being modified to conform to the new reporting requirement to identify a "routed export transaction" as set forth in the Final Rule published in the *Federal Register* July 10, 2000. A routed export transaction is where the foreign principal party in interest authorizes an U.S. forwarding or other agent to facilitate export of items from the United States.

Effective January 1, 2001, AES will require the filer to report a Yes/No indicator in the SC2 record of the Customs Proprietary Record Formats and on the M12 record of the X-12 Record Formats to signify whether or not the export transaction was a "routed export transaction". The new 'Routed Export Transaction' is **mandatory** and must be reported by filers using Option 2, Post-departure Option 3 and Option 4. Pre-departure Option 3 filers are not required to report this new element. The route export transaction indicator is required for **all** shipments regardless of the type of export designated by the Export Information Code.

The following new fatal error messages will be generated by AES:

- 188 FATAL ERR - Missing Routed Export Transaction
- 189 FATAL ERR - Invalid Routed Export Transaction

AES participants should modify their AES applications to provide for the reporting of this new element by January 1, 2001. Filers, who report *changes* to a shipment that was filed prior to January 1, 2001, will not be required to report the routed export transaction indicator for those shipments. However, if the filer *deletes* a record that was reported prior to January 1, 2001 and then attempts to *update* and add that same record after January 1, 2001, the routed export transaction indicator will be required. Participants may begin transmitting this element as soon as they are ready to do so, but must have this change in place by January 1, 2001.

The Customs Proprietary Record Formats and the X-12 601 Shipper's Export Record Formats reflecting these changes is available on the AES web site as replacement pages to the October 2000 AESTIR.

In addition to the new requirement above, the Bureau of Export Administration (BXA) is changing the severity for missing or invalid license codes effective January 1, 2001. AES will generate the following new fatal error messages:

186 FATAL ERR - Missing License Number/CFR Cit

187 FATAL ERR - Invalid License Number/ CFR Cit

If you have any questions regarding this change or need additional information, please contact your AES Customs or Census Client Representative. Thank you for your continued cooperation and support of AES.